Subject: Freedom of Information Act Request: Jason Van Dyke - FBI probe



To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request the following records:

- I am seeking any and all records that the FBI has related to the fatal shooting of a teenager Laguan McDonald by Chicago Police officer Jason Van Dyke
- On Nov 24, 2015 a story ran in Chicago that stated "Alvarez said the FBI contacted the Cook County state's attorney's office in November 2014, a few weeks after the fatal shooting of 17-year-old Laquan McDonald, and the two offices began working together on the case in December." (source: https://www.nbcchicago.com/blogs/ward-room/Alvarez-Opponents-Question-Timeline-of-Release-of-McDonald-Video-353183351.html)
- On October 5th of 2018, Jason Van Dyke was convicted of manslaughter for the killing of Laquan McDonald. (source: https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/post-nation/wp/2018/10/05/chicago-police-officer-jason-van-dyke-convicted-of-second-degree-murder-for-killing-laquan-mcdonald.)
- Therefore I am requesting any and all documents that the FBI has on this case which is now concluded.
- I am explicitly asking your agency to conduct a "cross-referenced" search for records relevant to your inquiry. *Do not limit your search to the Central Records System*
- I am also request a search of "ELSUR" (Electronic Surveillance) records. These include the names of all people and/or locations for which the agency sought a court order for electronic surveillance.

I am a journalist with bylines in the Chicago Reader and have published FOIA documents that have been central to stories in Reason, The Intercept and other publications. Therefore, I request both a fee waiver and classification as a journalist for fee categories.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Freddy Martinez

Exhibit A